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COMMENT OF
THE DAY

Dictatorship

MR John Rankin has told the House of Commons that Britain is maintaining a "dictatorship" in Hong Kong. Where did he get this absurd notion? It is no use saying that he has been told this by a politically ambitious but frustrated minority group in Hong Kong, because although he probably has, many people who ought to know better still peddle that silly wisecrack that we have here a "benevolent dictatorship".

It is a smart way of describing the colonial government system which incidentally few in Hong Kong want changed. Do we need proof of this? When a delegation recently went to London to petition the British Government to retain Sir Alexander Grantham as Governor for another term, they took with them a volume containing the signatures of half this Colony's population.

AND what happens at election time in Hong Kong—or the 19,000 entitled to vote, 6,000 bother to turn out—and more than two-thirds of the number just couldn't care less. This touches on another point which Mr John Rankin raised in the House yesterday. He asked when the Hong Kong Government proposed to extend the franchise. The point is: has Hong Kong demonstrated that it wants any extension? The answer can only be "no".

But why does this Colony's government continue to be described—facetiously or cynically—as "benevolent dictatorship"? True, we have an appointed Governor responsible for the administration of this Colony. True, he knows Hong Kong well, its problems thoroughly, how to deal with people in all walks of life. He has done it so well that the Indian Prime Minister, Mr Nehru, has named him as one of the best administrators in the Far East. But does this make him even "benevolent" "dictatorial"?

HONGKONG has an executive council, a legislative council and an Urban Council to which eight members are elected. It has the best judicial system in the world. What ground then is there for the word "dictatorship" to be used even as a facetious euphemism?

What does "dictator" mean? It means an absolute ruler. The Oxford Dictionary goes on to say "usually temporary or irregular, of a State, especially one who suppresses or succeeds a republican government; person with absolute authority in any sphere". And among the meanings of "absolute" in the sense in which it is generally associated with dictatorships are "unrestricted" and "ruling arbitrarily".

THAT is not what Hong Kong people mean when they talk of a "benevolent dictatorship", but it is obviously the impression that ignorant people abroad will get from Mr John Rankin's cheap and completely unjustified sneer.

One more point—even at the risk of being accused of being humourless—the term "benevolent dictatorships" contains a clear contradiction which is probably the reason why it has become such a silly aside. A joke is a joke, but when some ignorant MP begins to bandy it about as a serious statement of fact, then it's time we stopped being smart—or called a more factual description of a system of Government that probably less than one per cent of the population want changed.

MP's Demand For Minimum Colony Wage

REFUSED BY MINISTER

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

LONDON, June 27. THE Government has refused to enforce minimum wage rates for Hong Kong to block the tide of cheap cotton goods into British markets.

Mr J. D. Profumo, Colonial Under-Secretary, told the House of Commons today it would be improper to do this "simply to protect a United Kingdom industry."

NATO IMMUNE
TO SURPRISE
ATTACK

Rome, June 27. Supreme Allied Commander General Lauris Norstad declared today that it is now "operationally impossible" for the Soviet Union to knock out Western Europe's airpower in a single surprise attack.

He said that "momentum from surprise assault came as a result of an intensive programme to build and disperse NATO airbases and a tightening of the alliance's early warning radar net."

Norstad spoke at the closing session of the Atlantic Treaty Association's annual meeting here. He said his Command had upped the number of bases available to it from 20 to 104 in six years.

He said the Alliance now has a 24-hour a day co-ordinated radar net in operation.

"It is now operationally impossible to knock out our airbases in a single surprise air attack," Norstad said.—United Press.

CANTON TO BE ART CENTRE

Paris, June 27. The Chinese Government is preparing to build up Canton into an art centre, the Governor of Kwangtung Province declared at a writers and artists' forum in the South China city today, the New China News Agency reported.

A school of fine arts and a conservatory of music would be established in Canton this year, Governor Tao Chu said. A drama school was expected to be established during the second five-year plan period.

The new Canton film studio would be completed during the 1958-62 period, he said. Other projects to be built in the same period would include additional theatres for modern drama, folk art and acrobatics; a music hall, an art studio and a children's theatre.—France Presse.

In Saturday's *China Mail*

Tomorrow the *China Mail* introduces a series of articles by Anne Edwards dealing with the Duke of Edinburgh, his son which will be of profound importance to everyone interested in the future of the Royal Family. Read Philip—the New Duke in Saturday's *Mail*.

AND:

★ Making Money by Alexander Thomson.

★ How to Save Britain by Robert Edwards.

★ Show Business by Thomas Wiseman or Patrick Macnee.

★ Record Round by Ramsden Greig.

The Mystery Club, Cummings, Giles, Low, Friend, their interesting features will all be in tomorrow's *China Mail*.

DRIVER HAS NARROW ESCAPE



The driver of this American car was fascinated by this 49-foot Maytree approaching him during stormy weather at Reichertsbeuren in Bavaria. He gathered his wits and jumped out a few seconds before the tree struck.—Keystone Photo.

PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN
TO COMBAT
SMOKING HABIT

London, June 27. THE Government announced plans tonight for starting a nation-wide propaganda to inform the public of the dangers of smoking.

This action followed publication today of a top-level report linking excessive cigarette smoking to cancer of the lung.

The report, by the Medical Research Council, the Government's advisory body on health, declared that cigarette smoking was the principal factor in the large increase in the incidence of lung cancer in Britain over the 10 years.

Mr John Vaughan Morgan, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health, told the House of Commons: "Once the risks are known everyone who smokes will have to measure them and make up his or her mind, and must be relied upon as a responsible person to act for the rest."

"The Government feel that it is right to ensure that the latest authoritative opinion is brought effectively to public notice, so that everyone may know the risks involved in smoking," he said.

Local Authorities

The Government now proposed to bring the report to the attention of local health authorities and to those responsible for health education.

The report noted that the increase in lung cancer was out of all proportion to other forms of cancer and had occurred not only in old age.

Among males it accounted for 19 deaths at all ages; in females it was one in 103 deaths. Highest mortality rate from lung cancer in investigations carried out in Britain and the United States was in cigarette smokers, second highest in pipe smokers, lowest in non-smokers.

The report offered some hope to smokers in their early forties. By giving it up now they might possibly reduce their chance of developing cancer by half.

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Revenue Rumour

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One tobacco manufacturer tonight declared that in the industry's opinion there was "no proof from any scientific field that smoking is a cause of lung cancer."

A statement by the manufacturer's standing committee said: "Statistical evidence certainly does not prove a causal connection."

The Medical Research Council's statement did not contain any important new scientific evidence and said one proportion

of smokers who contracted

Railway Loses £57m

ROBERTSON
SEES TURN
OF TIDE

London, June 28. British Railways lost £57 million last year, according to an announcement by the Commission chairman, Sir Brian Robertson, published here today.

But Sir Brian told a press conference that he hoped to be able to look back on 1958 as the turning of the tide.

The Commission was near agreement with unions on a plan for dealing with redundancy which resulted from railway modernisation.

The record growth of passenger traffic seen in 1956 had continued this year—reflection of the benefits of modernisation—and freight traffic was being organised in promising manner.

Major causes of the deficit were capital investment and a price freeze to offset inflation in the country's economy.

British Railways' total accumulated debt now stands at £127 million.—Reuters.

Hurricane Havoc

New York June 27. A 105-mph hurricane tore into Texas and Louisiana today, putting 75,000 persons to flight, killing 10, injuring at least 100 and causing damage that will total millions of dollars.

Hurricane Audrey sank boats, drove a 400-foot tanker aground, washed buildings into the raging ocean and isolated towns and resort islands.

Many towns and cities, including Port Arthur, Beaumont, and Orange, Texas, and Houston, Texas, the biggest city in the South, were hit either by the hurricane or the gales on its fringes.

But Lake Charles, 30 miles inland and about 30 miles east of the Texas border, apparently suffered the worst. The Civil Defense Office estimated property damage at least HK\$6,000,000. —United Press.

HK FILM APPLAUDED



MISS LIN DAI
Fine Acting

Berlin, June 27. Two Czech reserve officers flew an old single-engined sports plane to Austria today in a flight to freedom.

The two men "hedge-hopped" the 200 miles from Prague to Tulln airbase near here and asked for political asylum.

First-Lieutenant Jaroslav Kos-tolnik, 28, the pilot, and 30-year-old Lieutenant Bruno Weber, co-pilot, told Austrian officials they hugged the ground over Czech territory "to give the impression we were on a training flight."—United Press.

BEATING
SINGAPORE
STRIKERS

Singapore, June 27. Shipowners today used hundreds of lighters in an attempt to beat a "go slow" strike on the Singapore waterfront.

Lightermen and dockers belonging to four unions are refusing to join the "go slow" called by the Singapore Harbour Board Staff Association, claiming 7,000 members.

The British Medical Journal today called for a public campaign to counter the smoking habit.

In a leading article, the Journal stated:

Social Habit

"Smoking is a widespread and pleasurable social habit and unfortunately the appetite grows with what it feeds upon. But the hazards to health and life are undeniable."

"The evidence against cigarette smoking is now so overwhelming that in the absence of contrary valid evidence or of some means of excluding the carcinogenic factor from what used to be called the yellow peril, it is incumbent on doctors to do all they can to dissuade the young from acquiring a habit so deleterious to health."—China Mail Special.

Journalist Quits Over Phone Tapping

London, June 27. SIR Winston Churchill's journalist son Randolph quit Lord Beaverbrook's Evening Standard today complaining he was not allowed to write as he liked.

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100 Flu Cases
On Trooper

London, June 27. About 100 cases of "Asian flu" occurred during the "trooping the Colour" Empire Flotilla's trip from Hong Kong to Colombo. It was stated last night when the ship docked at Southampton.—United Press.

BIG US TROOP
WITHDRAWAL
FROM JAPAN

Washington, June 27. Secretary of Defence Charles E. Wilson said today the United States would withdraw 25,000 to 30,000 troops from Japan by Christmas.

Wilson emphasized that the plan to withdraw United States ground forces from Japan "was not a sudden decision" but part of a long range programme to cut US troop strength there while the Japanese built up their own forces.

Announcement of the withdrawal was made in a joint communiqué issued last week of the conclusion of talks between Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi and President Eisenhower.

Wilson declined to say if air force units would be withdrawn from Japan soon.

TREATY PROVISIONS

He acknowledged, however, that the Japanese peace treaty provided for the eventual withdrawal of all US forces.

Wilson said that some stations in Japan would be sent home and that others would be deployed in the Far East.

The Secretary said that the decision was made some time ago to supply American forces in Korea with modern arms.

He said he hoped eventually it would be possible to equip all US forces with the same kinds of weapons but that it took time to do so.—United Press.

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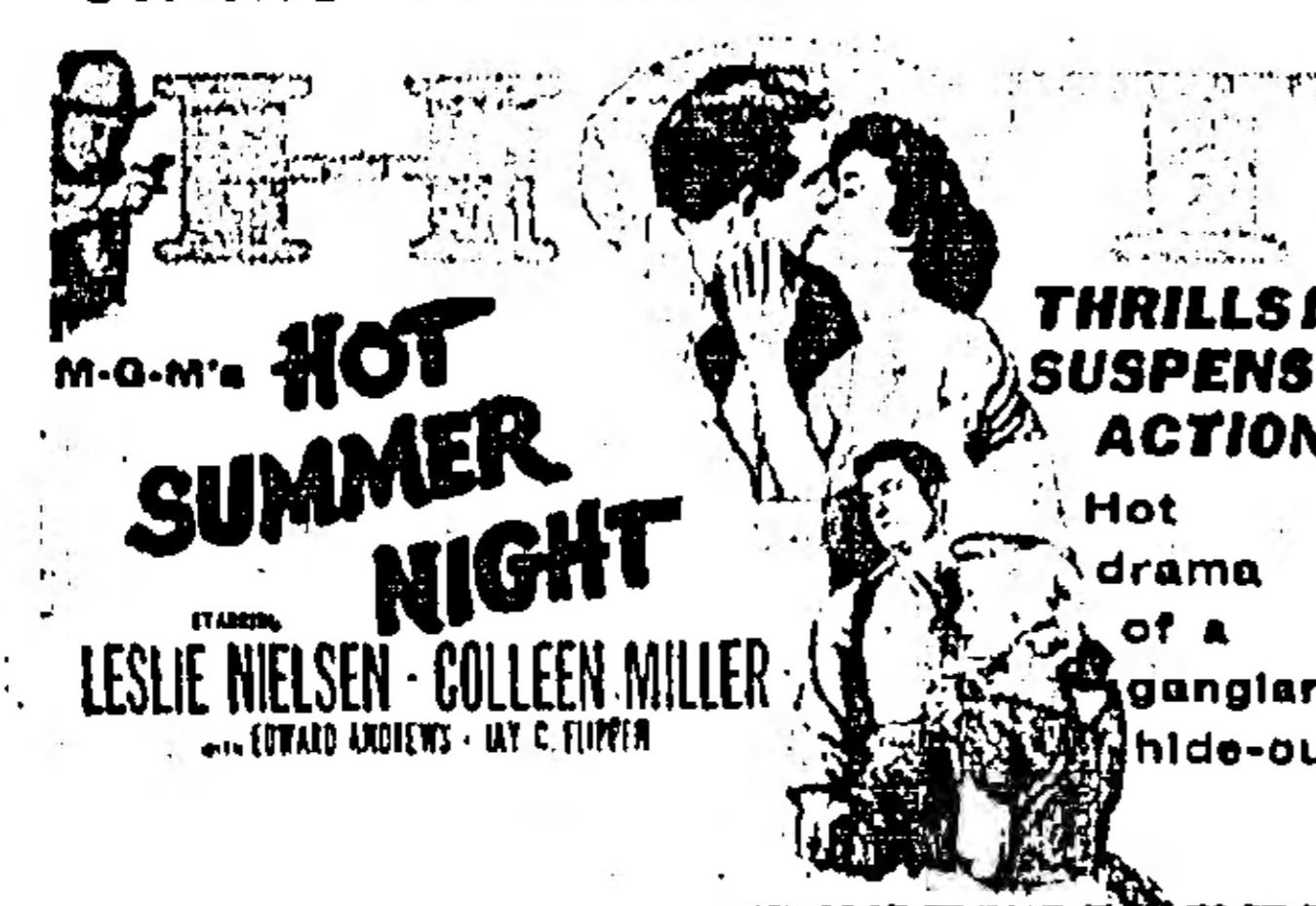
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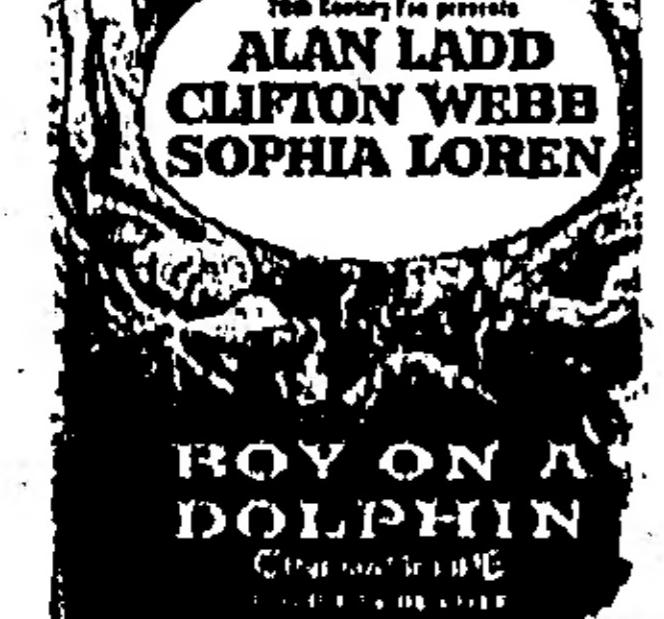
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Queen Juliana of the Netherlands receives a small cask containing fish from the first catch of Dutch new herring at the Palace of Soestdijk to mark the opening of the new herring season.—Express Photo.

FORMAL REQUEST FOR UN TO RECONVENE

United Nations, June 27. The United States today formally requested that the United Nations General Assembly be reconvened on the Hungarian question "as soon as possible" or "as soon as practicable".

Both phrases were contained in a letter from the US delegate, Mr Henry Cabot Lodge, to Prince Wan Walmyakorn of Thailand, President of the 11th General Assembly which went into recess last March without formal adjournments.

LIKELIHOOD

Although diplomatic discussions on the timing of a resumed session on Hungary con-

Kashmir Problem

SUHRAWARDY WANTS PLEBISCITE

London, June 27. The Pakistani Prime Minister, Mr Hussein Suhrawardy, said tonight that only by holding a free and fair plebiscite could the long-drawn-out Kashmir issue be solved.

Addressing a crowd of 1,000 Pakistani students for 30 minutes, Mr Suhrawardy appealed to the Indian Prime Minister, Mr Jawaharlal Nehru, not to "allow the fair name of India to be tarnished by ignoring international opinion on the Kashmir issue."

INJUSTICE

He said: "The Kashmir issue is not merely a question of a piece of territory being usurped by a country that has no right to it but it is a question of fundamentals, namely, that a country merely because it is big and powerful cannot flout world opinion by virtue of its injustice."

The Kashmir issue, Mr Suhrawardy said, has committed both Pakistan and India to holding a free and fair plebiscite.

Mr Suhrawardy said: "We want to live on the friendliest terms with our neighbour India. That is all the more reason that Mr Nehru should help to create an atmosphere of international justice and peace by accepting the right of the people of Kashmir to decide their future according to their own wishes."—United Press.

IMPRESARIO GETS SOVIET STARS IN U.S.

Moscow, June 27. American impresario Sol Hurok announced today he has concluded a contract with the Soviet Ministry of Culture which will send at least two top Metropolitan Opera singers to Russia and an array of Soviet musical stars to the United States.

The contract provides for an American tour next January

by the famed Soviet pianist Emil Gilels and violinist Leonid Kogan, while Metropolitan stars Blanche Thebom and Leonard Warren are scheduled to appear in Russia between next November and the following January.

The Russians have agreed to pay dollar fees and round expenses while the American stars are here.

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REVISION OF Foreign Affairs Committee Votes For Cancellation

Washington, June 27. The House Foreign Affairs Committee voted today to direct President Eisenhower to cancel the United States agreements giving its allies criminal jurisdiction over American servicemen within their borders.

The action came after a day-long secret session of the Committee where Republican members tried unsuccessfully to weaken the proposal.

BANNING OF TESTS A NUISANCE

—Charles Wilson

Washington, June 27. Mr Charles E. Wilson, United States Secretary for Defence, said today that the banning of tests of new atomic weapons would be a "nuisance, but it would not stop the business."

Mr Wilson made the comment in answer to a question at a press conference.

He also said that the effect of a suspension on the United States weapons programme would be to "slow it down," adding that was not one of his problems. He said it was in the hands of President Eisenhower and Mr John Foster Dulles, the Secretary of State.

Mr Wilson said the objective of disarmament should be a reduction in armaments "rather than some of these other technical approaches to it."

"The banning of tests of new atomic weapons will just be sort of a nuisance, but it would not stop the business," he said.—Reuter.

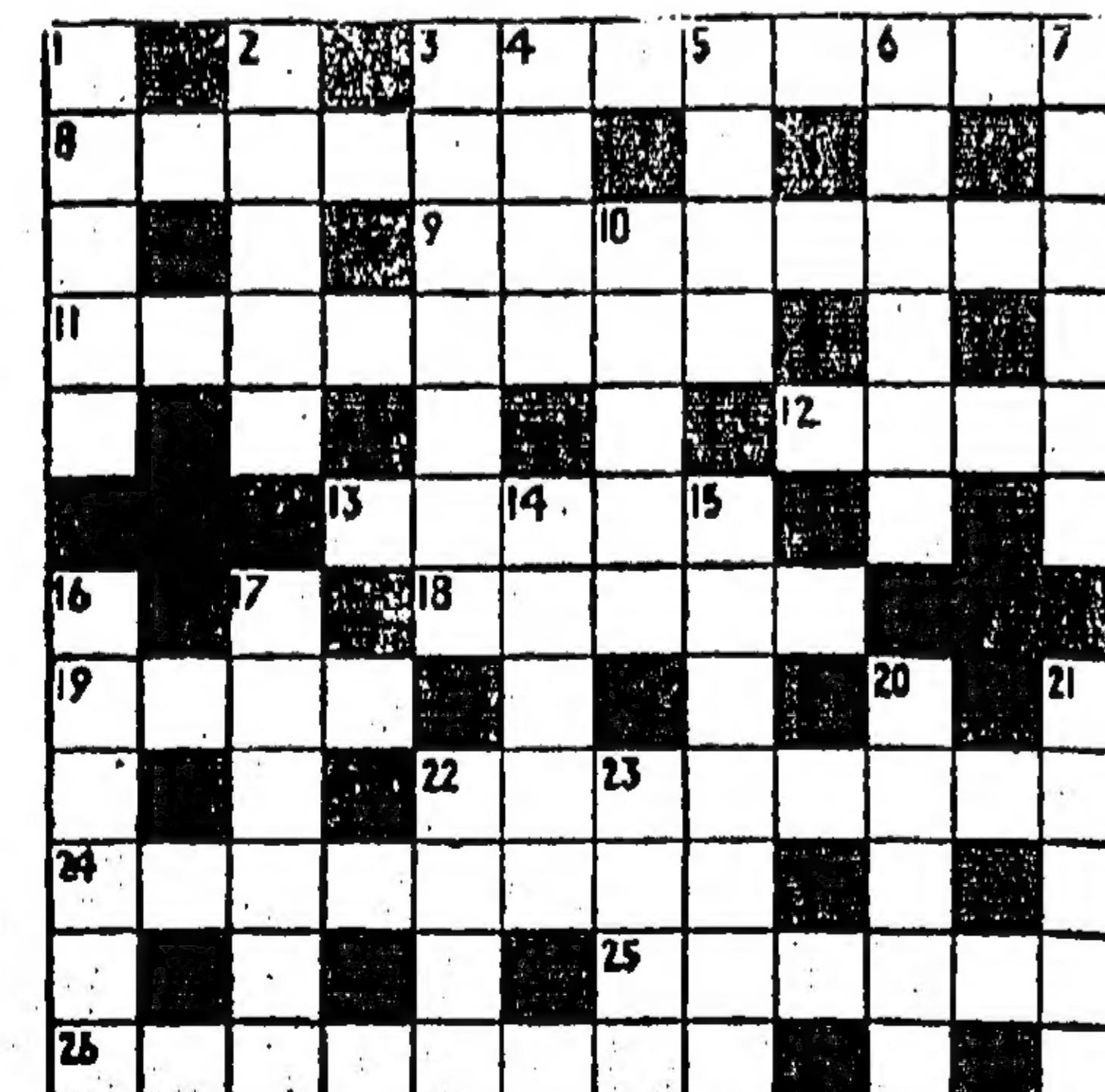
RATIONING OFF BUT PRICE UP

Paris, June 27. Petrol rationing will be lifted in France tomorrow and at the same time the price will be increased to the equivalent of about \$1 a gallon. It was announced tonight.

The Secretary of State for Power, Edouard Ramonet, made the announcement. Petrol rationing was imposed last November after the Suez crisis.

The French Parliament has approved the elimination of rationing and the price boost as part of the government's financial programme.—France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Unique (6).
- 8 Made reparation (6).
- 9 Took ill (8).
- 11 Tear (8).
- 12 Repast (4).
- 13 Granted (6).
- 18 Drugs (5).
- 22 Melt (8).
- 24 The atom strikes a quiet note (8).
- 25 Speaker (8).
- 26 Western county (8).

DOWN

- 1 Recover (6).
- 2 Compel (6).
- 3 Closely packed (7).
- 4 Notion (4).
- 5 Merriment (4).
- 6 Mess (6).
- 7 Conundrum (6).
- 8 Precipitous (5).
- 10 Style of architecture (6).
- 14 Fruit course (7).
- 15 Disturbance (6).
- 17 Notice of danger (6).
- 20 Musical instrument (6).
- 21 Joyful (6).
- 22 Fashion expert (4).
- 23 Not, by the sound of it, the right thing for a quick gin (4).

THURSDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 P-recepts, 7 C-lovo, 8 Armourer, 10 En-curo, 13 Bottled 15 Test, 17 Fretrol, 18 Seedes, 20 Alar, 21 R-over-ces, 26 Roide, 27 Accounts, 28 Thome, 29 Enlarges. Down: 1 Aches, 2 Boost, 3 Pearl, 4 Crap, 5 Per-sec, 6 Strata, 9 Rocker, 11 Nowad, 12 Utter, 14 Desert, 15 Tries, 16 Stood, 18 Savage, 19 Cancel 22 (D)Yests, 23 Rider, 24 Sewer 26 Buzz.

STATUS-OF-FORCE

mbo Was Playing When...



Elephants had to be called to the assistance of Rudi, a young elephant at Vienna's Schoenbrunn Zoo, when he tumbled into the safety gap around the picture shows Rudi being rescued—with the aid of chains. Rudi had been playing with an elephant companion when he received a heavier push than usual, landed at the bottom of the gap. — Express Photo.

ESTABLISHMENT OF NUCLEAR CENTRE

United States Invites 16 Asian Nations

Washington, June 27. The United States today invited 16 Asian nations to a meeting here on July 8 to plan for the establishment of an Asiatic regional nuclear centre in Manila.

CATHOLIC PISTS GOLED

Paris, June 27. Eight Czechoslovak Catholics were today sentenced to terms of up to four years half years for subversive activities against state.

The priests, members of the Society of Saint Francis de Sales, were convicted of a range of state crimes and religious activities. In keeping the Catholic Church illegal in existence here for five years despite official dissolution.

EMIZEMENT

Paris, June 27. Mr Donald L. Jackson, a member of the House of Representatives Internal Security Sub-Committee, "have been declared as innocuous as two kittens in a cage full of rabid dogs."

In a 4,000-word speech to the House of Representatives, Mr Jackson attacked recent decisions of the Supreme Court involving Communism as "rending aid, comfort and assistance to the enemy."—China Mail Special.

BROOKHAVEN REPORT

The three-day meeting next month will consider a report worked out by the Brookhaven National Laboratory suggesting where the regional centre should be located.

The Brookhaven report said the Colby Powers probably would not initially have available the necessary scientific and administrative personnel and therefore "special attention" would have to be given to meeting top-level staff requirements, the State Department announced.

EMIZEMENT

A former priest, Vojtech Frol, who was allegedly shot with machine-guns during the coup sentence of four and half years. Lowest sentence was 18 years' imprisonment.

The eight priests to have been led another Salesian priest, Vaclav Filip, who was alleged to have been hidden illegally by us since 1952 in a convent in Moravia.

Court officials said today Filip and his two would be tried in their delegation of Czechoslovakia.—Reuter.

EVACUATION

Evacuation Of French From Tunis

Tunis, June 27. Tunisian premier Habib Bourguiba, affirmed today that Tunisia had reached an agreement with France on the evacuation of French troops from their bases in the country.

The Première had weekly broadsheet, which was acquired in the Cairo spy trial last Saturday, "will leave Egypt within 48 hours," a spokesman of the Ministry of Interior said today.

The big French military base at Bizerte was discussed during the negotiations.

Speaking of talks negotiations between Tunisia and France on joint defence and a military alliance, a spokesman of the Ministry of Interior said that such an alliance could not be concluded from Tunisian troops had been evacuated from Bizerte.

He said, however, that the agreement "should help improve Franco-Tunisian relations."—Tunis.

ACQUITTED BRITONS TO LEAVE

Cairo, June 27. Mr Stanley Pittuck, one of the Britons acquitted in the Cairo spy trial last Saturday, "will leave Egypt within 48 hours," a spokesman of the Ministry of Interior said today.

The X-14, powered by two jet engines, is designed to take off vertically in a conventional horizontal position, shift to forward flight and land vertically, eliminating the need for a runway.

The X-14 differs from the so-called "tail-sitter" VTOL aircraft because it can operate without the help of ground handling equipment to position it for take-off.—United Press.

New York, June 27. Colonial Cyril Banks, a British Member of Parliament, announced today steel price increases averaging \$6 a ton, which could affect the price of hundreds of consumer items ranging from cars to hairpins.—United Press.

US Steel Corporation announced today steel price increases averaging \$6 a ton, which could affect the price of hundreds of consumer items ranging from cars to hairpins.—United Press.

The cotton would be purchased by France in exchange for goods obtainable from the dollar area.

The spokesman said his Ministry was studying the proposed measure.

SOVIET NOTE TO BONN

Atomic Rearmament And Reunification Irreconcilable

Moscow, June 27. Russia told West Germany today that claims for atomic rearmament of her forces and for reunification of divided Germany were irreconcilable, according to brief extracts from a new Soviet note available to diplomatic sources here.

The note was handed by the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr Andrei Gromyko, to the German Ambassador, Dr Wilhelm Haces. Russia also charged the West German Government with imposing political conditions for a disarmament agreement, the sources said.

DEMANDS

The note was a reply to a West German note of May 23 rejecting Soviet demands that they renounce atomic weapons for their forces and refuse to allow atomic weapons to be stationed on their territory.

West Germany also called on Russia to help prevent an arms race by co-operating with the Western powers at the current disarmament negotiations in Moscow.

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GRAVE DIGGERS

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INDIANS PROTEST BATON CHARGE

Johannesburg, June 27. Leaders of five organisations sent a joint telegram today to the Justice Minister, Mr Charles Swart, protesting in the strongest possible terms against a police baton charge" on an Indian torchlight procession here last night.

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POLICE DENY

Top police spokesmen today denied that there was any clash between police and the demonstrators, who were marking the end of a "day of demonstrations" against racial separation laws, or that the police carried out baton charge.

But leading newspapers stuck by their version of events saying there was baton charge, that Indian demonstrators were struck and some were injured. The Johannesburg Star said two were in hospital and one youth was still semi-conscious this afternoon.—Reuter.

MILLIONS OF DEAD FISH IN ARABIAN SEA

Rome, June 27. The United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation announced here tonight that many million tons of dead fish, perhaps equal to the entire world's catch in a year, are floating in the Arabian sea, according to a report from a Russian ship.

The organisation said the report had been relayed from Moscow by Professor P. Molsev of the Soviet State Institute of Oceanology and Marine Fisheries.

The report claimed that over an area of 77,000 square miles west of the Laemde Islands, off the west coast of southern India, "there was about ten dead fish to the square yard."

The name of the Russian ship from which the report was received was not given.

Mr Talvo Lneavastu, a Food and Agriculture Organisation oceanographer, said mass death of fish occurs from time to time in many parts of the world.

"The present catastrophe may have been caused by a layer of water known as the tropical subsurface oxygen minimum," he added.—China Mail Special.

Invited to the meeting were Australia, Burma, Cambodia, Canada, Ceylon, India, Indonesia, Japan, Laos, Nepal, New Zealand, Pakistan, the Philippines, Thailand, the United Kingdom and Vietnam.—United Press.

Successful Flight For New Plane

Buffalo, June 27. Bell Aircraft Corporation's X-14, newest jet-powered VTOL (Vertical Take-off and Landing) airplane, has successfully completed initial flight testing, the Air Force said today.

The X-14, powered by two jet engines, is designed to take off vertically in a conventional horizontal position, shift to forward flight and land vertically, eliminating the need for a runway.

The X-14 differs from the so-called "tail-sitter" VTOL aircraft because it can operate without the help of ground handling equipment to position it for take-off.—United Press.

New York, June 27. US Steel Corporation announced today steel price increases averaging \$6 a ton, which could affect the price of hundreds of consumer items ranging from cars to hairpins.—United Press.

The cotton would be purchased by France in exchange for goods obtainable from the dollar area.

The spokesman said his Ministry was studying the proposed measure.

ARTHUR MILLER APPEALS

Washington, July 27. The lawyers of American writer Arthur Miller, husband of Hollywood film star, Marilyn Monroe, today asked United States Federal Judge, Charles F. McLaughlin, to quash the verdict of "Contempt of Congress" given against Miller, and to acquit him completely.

Judge McLaughlin passed sentence against Miller on May 31 for twice refusing to disclose to a congressional investigating committee the names of Communist writers who attended meetings of the American Communist Party with him in 1947.

Judge McLaughlin said their client's case was identical with that of trades union agent, John T. Watkins, whose conviction of Contempt of Congress was overruled by the US Supreme Court on June 17.

Judge McLaughlin said he would examine the request and give his decision tomorrow evening.—France-Press.

Barbados, June 27. Panama Canal Authorities said today that the Canal's water supply is near the critical stage as a result of an unprecedented two-month drought.—United Press.

NO LET-UP IN MALAYA

Kuala Lumpur, June 27. Lieutenant-General Sir Roger Bower, Director of Military Operations, said today there was no let-up in the war against Communist terrorists even after Malayan independence had been declared.

Addressing villagers in Kulim, Bower emphasised that the Chief Minister, Tengku Abdul Rahman, had declared that he would not meet Malayan Communist Party members again to discuss peace terms.

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KOWLOON

The captain fled from a phantom of the sea



"Alter course," he shouted while the roared.

WITH every canvas taut and timbers shuddering the great sailing ship swept on through the night. America's Atlantic coast was more than 1,000 miles behind. The fog had lifted. Fierce winds had cleared every rag of cloud from the black sky. But below in his cabin boarded Captain Urquhart could not sleep for fear.

Every time he shut his eyes the same frightening scene hovered before him. He could see huge cliff rising out of the ocean. He could see his ship racing blindly towards it. He could almost feel the shock as the ship crushed itself to splinters.

Wind moaned

Captain Urquhart opened his eyes. His face was cold with sweat. He sat up and tried to tell himself what nonsense it was. How could there be a rock in mid-ocean? Few places on earth were so far from any kind of land. Even the sea-bed was more than a mile away, down below beyond the reach of light.

He lay back, and again the vision appeared. The walls of his cabin trembled as the ship sped faster. The wind moaned in the rigging.

But Captain Urquhart could hear something else. He could hear the words which another seafaring man had once murmured to him: "They call it the Rock of Barenetha," the man had said. "It is in mid-Atlantic. Smart folk say it is just a legend. But I have seen it. Cone-shaped it is, and barren."

At most times there was nothing superstitious about Urquhart. On his chart he had noted the position given by the man. Then he had forgotten about the legend for over four years.

Now out of the night those words had returned.

He took out his old chart. He peered at the dot he had made with his pen four

BOOKS

by ROBERT PITMAN

years back. He looked at Sunday. The same Urquhart's strange panic and his sudden change of course.

But there let us leave the *Trimountain* as it turns miles off its route to avoid the terror of Barenetha.

Let us look some 50 miles to the south, where another ship is moving through the night.

THE SECOND SHIP is the French liner *Ville du Havre*. In 1873 the largest passenger vessel in the world. Examine the scene on board.

At 7 p.m. the 89 first-class passengers sit down to dine. The saloon is remarkably spacious. There are marble pillars; there are ornate, gilded mirrors on

the mood at dinner is gay. At last the passengers make for their cabins and state-rooms. Someone picks out an air from Weber on the saloon's piano, then stops. One by one the bright lamps are dimmed.

At 1 a.m. the liner is moving at nine knots. Its passengers sleep in the hope that they will soon see France. They do not know about the third ship.

THE THIRD SHIP is not far away. It is a sailing ship, bound for America. Its hull is built of strong iron. Its name: the *Loch Earn*.

It is the story of three ships and a legend.

THE LEGEND we have already heard. It is the legend of Barenetha Rock.

THE FIRST SHIP we have already seen. It is Captain Urquhart's ship; its name—the *Trimountain*.

The *Trimountain* sailed a day late, William Urquhart having refused to sail on a

It is 1.50 a.m., not quite four bells. The *Loch Earn*'s look-out

sights what seems to brighten the star low in the sky. It turns red, and he sees a steamer.

The law of the sea still must give way.

The third mate orders him to swing a red light at the bows. But he sees *Loch Earn* on its course.

The other ship is near now. Its topsails are flying above its two funnels, steam hooting wildly. On *Loch Earn* they watch helplessly, waiting for it to turn aside. Instead it turns across the little arms slipping. His hands were too numb to hold the helm. First one child, then the other slid under.

Their fate was shared by all but one of the 16 other children on board.

Nevertheless, 67 people were saved. Or at least they were saved for the moment. Clad in dripping tatters they were brought to the *Loch Earn*. But the *Loch Earn* itself was hopelessly damaged. Its prow was smashed in. Its bulkheads were cracking under the strain of the waves.

What happened those 10 desperate minutes?

It was never known for sure.

It seemed that the ship's prow smashed into one of the cabinings or crowding everyone there.

Survivors said they heard a dreadful crashing screaming from the decks below.

One thing is certain, one the crew there was no.

Sailors fought拼死 for the boats. And, in fact, the sailors won, it seemed to be a wave of across the decks of the *Ville du Havre*.

But it was not a wave. It was the ocean closing the ship as it sank.

In the icy water and women clung to gilded chairs and.

Loch Earn had not, and by now it was set out its

bells on rescue in the darkness.

A U.S. judge said a stowaway was cured.

The parish priest, who happens to be the uncle of the mayor, chased after them to marry them. And the chief of police joined in the chase—to free the girl and arrest the kidnapper.

Three stars.

The police, with walkie-talkies and dogs, found Francesca in a cave 2,000 ft. up in the Aspromonte Mountains. Barefoot, but in perfect good health, she received them with a smile.

"What is all the fuss about?" she asked. "I was never kidnapped, but followed the mayor of my own free will. We are going to get married as soon as possible."

The couple? They'll soon be married.

THREE SHIPS AND
A LEGEND... WAS
THERE A ROCK
LOOMING IN
THE ATLANTIC?

Captain Robertson was hopeful, but without much reason. Two days at the most and his ship would sink, hundreds of miles from land. But the boats of the *Loch Earn* were barely sufficient to carry its own small crew.

Such was the prospect as the terrible night wore on. Then came dawn. And with dawn, in that deserted Atlantic waste, the impossible happened.

A large, square-masted ship appeared some three miles off. It came nearer. Soon its name could be read by means of a spyglass. It was the *Trimountain*.

It was just six hours since, in fear of a phantom rock, Captain Urquhart had started his crew by changing course.

Coincidence?

Captain Urquhart took the survivors on his ship and brought them safely to England. Captain Robertson kept the *Loch Earn* afloat until his crew were able to abandon her in safety.

And the Barenetha Rock? We do not know whether it ever existed. But we know that its name alone, beaten in the mind of Captain William Urquhart, led on that mysterious night 84 years ago to the saving of almost 90 lives.

Was it just a coincidence? Or was it—as author Rogers now suggests—some kind of telepathy which translated the despair of those people struggling in the ocean into Urquhart's sudden fear of a phantom rock?

William Urquhart had his own explanation. He remembered how he had set out a day earlier. He remembered the fear which set him off course. He did not talk about telepathy. He called it Providence.

Gay Francesca

Rome. FOR six days, the village of Roghudi, in Calabria, was without a mayor, without a schoolmistress, with a parish priest and without a chief of police.

For the mayor, 40-year-old Pietro Nucera, kidnapped the schoolmistress, pretty, plump, dark-haired Francesca Zavattieri, aged 25.

The police, however, were not quite convinced by her story, and Francesca was taken to Reggio and questioned by an examining judge.

There she signed a statement confirming her version and was set free.

The mayor was found a short distance from the cave and, too, stated that Francesca had gone with him of her own free will. He was set free.

Francesca has returned to her parents. But the parish priest, 60-year-old, bespectacled Don Francesco Nucera, did not know the couple had been found, and was just reported to be looking for them on the craggy mountains.

The couple? They'll soon be married.

Immune!

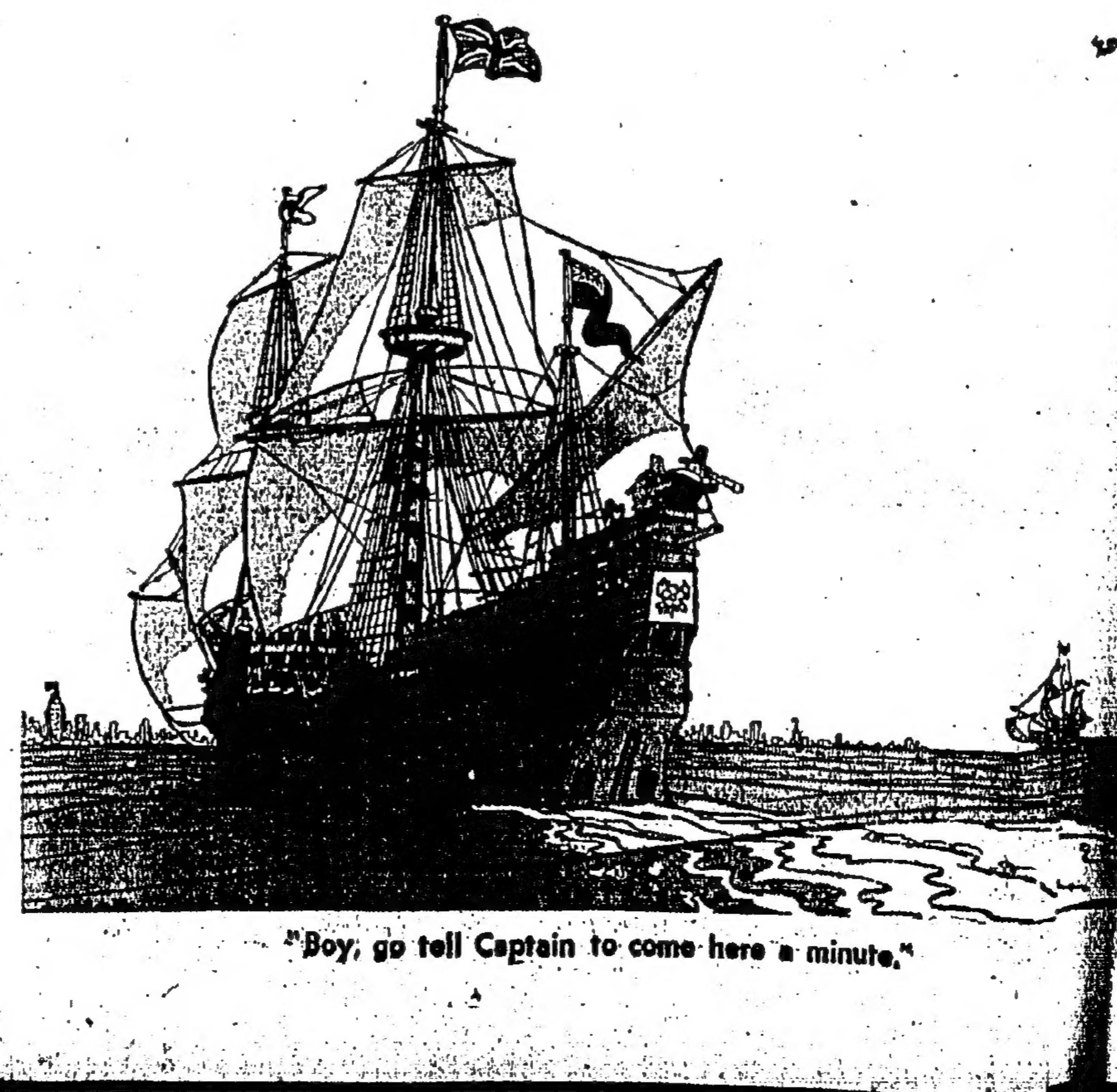


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FIRST DAY

WIMBLEDON HAT



A novel hat consisting of tennis racket and tennis ball design — worn by Mrs. Jean Carpenter of Oxfordshire — on the Centre Court at the opening of the Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships on June 24. —Keystone Photo.

Three Riders Eliminated In Tour De France Race

Granville, June 27. In boiling heat, Andre Darrigade won the first stage of the Tour De France cycling race over 201 kilometres from Nantes to here today.

Competing against 120 riders split into 10 teams and representing the cream of continental riders from Italy, France, Switzerland, Belgium, Holland and Spain, Darrigade won the final sprint in front of Spain's Miguel Poblet.

During the first stage of the 22-day stage race which winds clockwise round France and brings into Belgium and Spain, most riders took it easy in the main pack. The race lasts for 24 days with two rest days.

There was one feeble break-away at the start, but the main part of the "chain band" gradually crept up and everyone was carefully stacked back into the pack.

OTHER RIDERS

Darrigade with Italy's Gastone Neglini then went out and were joined by two other riders. They forced the pace over barren Brittany up on to the roads of the Cherbourg peninsula.

Frenchman Breaks 3,000M Record

Tourcoing, June 27. Michel Bernard broke the French record for the 3,000 metres run when he clocked 8 minutes, 4.5 seconds at an athletic meeting here today. The former French record of 8 minutes 12.5 seconds was set up by Michel Jazy at Warsaw earlier this month. —France Presse.

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West Indians In Holland

Hilversum, Holland, June 27.

Garfield Sobers, the 30-year-old Barbados left-hander, scored a century for the West Indies cricketers here today, helping them defeat an all-Holland XI by 185 runs in their one-day match.

The West Indies scored 308 and dismissed their opponents for 123.

Sobers hit four sixes and 13 fours in a free-scoring but chanciness innings of 101 in 84 minutes.

John Goddard made 60, including nine fours, and Rohan Kanhai 58 with one six and seven fours.

N. Leetink bowled his medium-pace deliveries well to take four wickets for 35 runs. Dennis Atkinson had the best West Indies bowling figures with six for 54. —Reuter.

CONTROLLED TENNIS

Davidson, Europe's main hope from Sweden who is seeded fourth, and Australian Mervyn Rose, seeded eighth, reached round four without much difficulty. The smoothest win among the seeded men was again achieved by Ashley Cooper, handsome Australian Champion, who gained more supporters by the confident, easy way he swept aside France's Robert Haillet 6-0, 6-2, 6-4. The 20-year-old Cooper is seeded to meet Hoad in the final.

CONTROLED TENNIS

Davidson, with controlled tennis, beat the big, swarthy American Sid Schwartz 6-1, 6-4, 7-5, and Rose's subtlety of shot overcame blond Martin Frosch, of Switzerland, 6-2, 6-4.

Unseeded American Miss Karol Fageros, blonde glamour girl of the 1957 Wimbledon tournament, and Miss Sheila Armstrong, 17-year-old former British Junior Champion, did the giant killing in the women's third round.

Miss Fageros, 23, from Miami, topped the seeded Miss Angela Mortimer, 25, who gained top ranking in Britain at the end of last season. The slim Devonshire girl has been under the cloud of ill health during the past 18 months but she recently declared herself to be fully fit.

Miss Armstrong won 6-4, 1-6, 6-1, against Mrs. Puzejova, the eighth-seeded player, in a dour battle.

Billie Maxwell, former US Amateur Champion, was a stroke behind at 66.

Billie Casper Jr., Ken Venturi, Max Evans and Bob Lachardus each carded 67. —United Press.

But Two Fall Out In Women's Singles At Wimbledon

London, June 27.

Seeded players at Wimbledon survived heavy pressure today when the Men's Singles third round reduced the original star-studded field of 128 to 16.

The going was even more tough in the Women's Singles, two seeded players being eliminated today, leaving in the fourth round only the top five of the original eight seeded girls.

To the sidelines went Britain's Angela Mortimer and Czechoslovakia's Vera Puzejova to join Australia's Mrs Thelma Long who passed out in the first round.

Defending Champion Lew Hoad, of Australia, was made to chase around in the fierce heat for more than an hour by 21-year-old John Lescz, another useful product from Los Angeles, California, the nursery of American tennis.

Hoad won 6-3, 9-7, 6-4, but his display was far from inspiring. Some of his shots were as magnificent and powerful as ever but too often the burly Australian netted simple volleys with an open court before him. Maybe he underestimated the fighting qualities of the crew-cropped American, who is untrained in his own country and unknown in Europe.

WARMEST APPLAUSE

Australian Neale Fraser, seeded fifth, had a long five-setter against Britain's leading player Mike Davies before a capacity Centre Court crowd. Fraser won 6-2, 6-3, 1-6, 6-2. The warmest applause of the week greeted a tremendous rally by Davies when he solved Fraser's thunderous left-handed delivery to romp through the third and fourth sets. But the Welshman cracked dramatically in the third game of the decider, losing his service to lead 4-3, but Kumar and Krishnan allowed themselves to be caught at 5-5 when they lost their service, leading 5-4, and had two set points.

TURNING POINT

This was the turning point in the match. This seemed to unnerve Krishnan and Kumar and they lost the third set at 3-6, through lack of concentration.

They might have saved the match in the fourth set when they led 4-1 but thereafter they did not win a game, their opponents reeling off five games in a row to take the set and the match.

The last set was lost mainly through Krishnan's errors. He fell away badly in the ninth game, by missing an easy volley and double faulting at a crucial point.

In the tenth and last game, he fluffed an easy drive to lose the match.

Kumar was the better player today, retrieving many bad situations and placing well. His lobes unfortunately were not always successful due to one suspect, to a strong cross-court wind.

Playing together for the first time, Kamo of Japan and Schwartz of the United States gave a brilliant display of coordinated doubles play when they defeated the Brazilians, Fernandes and Ribeiro.

Their young Brazilian opponents could do little against this combination.

Kamo's tennis tended to vary from the flashes of a great champion to the flagrant mistakes of a beginner. His great weakness was his service.

America's Junior Champion, Mimi Arnold, meanwhile, suffered an unexpected defeat at the hands of Rose Maria Reyes of Mexico.

The Men's Doubles meanwhile afforded a near sensation this evening, when the American Davis Cup team of Vic Seixas and F. Salto (Argentina) 6-0, 6-1, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3.

K. Kamo (Japan) and S. Schwartz (US) beat C. Fernandes and E. Ribeiro (Brazil) 6-3, 3-6, 6-4, 6-3.

N. Fraser and L. Head (Australia) beat A. Huber and F. Salto (Argentina) 6-0, 6-1, 7-5, 6-3, 6-4.

H. Richardson and V. Seixas (US) beat R. Krishnan and N. Kumar (India) 4-6, 7-5, 6-3, 6-4.

N. Plotrangell and O. Stroh (Italy) beat H. Flom and A. Segal (South Africa) 6-3, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, 6-4.

H. Richardson and V. Seixas (US) beat D. Hughes and G. Oakley (Britain) 3-6, 2-6, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4.

MEN'S DOUBLES, SECOND ROUND

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Baltimore and New York were not scheduled.

In the National Bank Aaron's two-run doublestop Charley Neal b

and Brown b

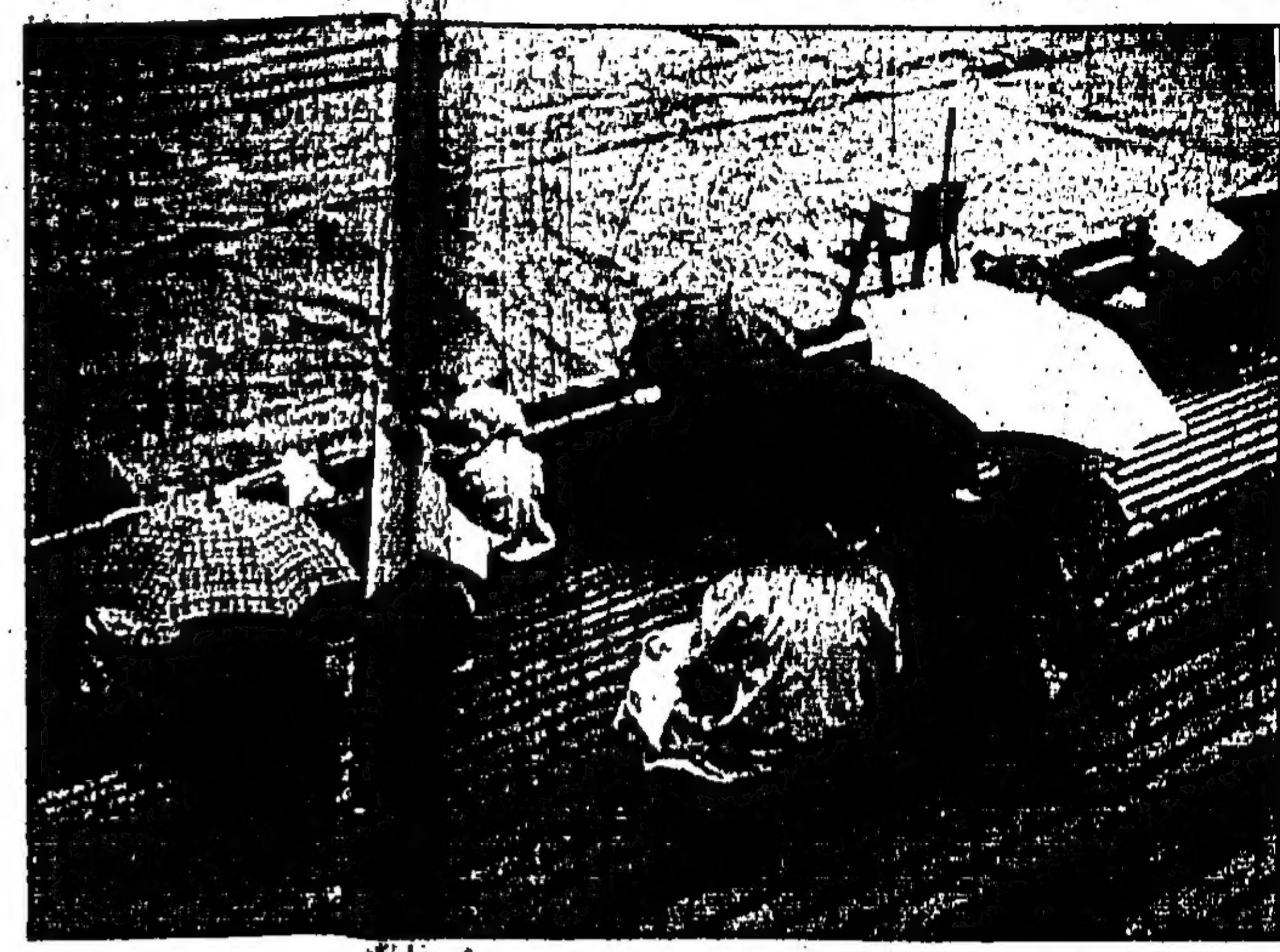
in the eighth inning to give the Red Sox a 4-2 lead.

Frank Sullivan, the winner in the opening night, had seven hits in his first three games and Jim Piersall, already for the Red Sox, had a double.

Rolley Nelle King was credited with the triumph while Turk Lown was the loser.

Chicago tied the score with a three-run rally in the eighth of starter Bob Purkey. —United Press.

FIRST DAY



General viewing the courts covered — as spectators, using rain-coats, umbrellas, hope for rain to stop and play to be resumed at the opening of the Wimbledon Championships on June 24. —Keystone Photo.

Mrs. K. Hawton and Mrs. H. Long (Australia) beat Mrs. A. Enzen and Mrs. H. Kaufmann (Switzerland) 6-1, 6-1.

Miss S. Bloomer (Britain) and Mrs. E. Pratt (US) beat Miss M. Craig-Smith and Miss B. Knapp (Britain) 6-1, 6-3.

Miss P. Hird and Miss A. Remy (France) 6-4, 1-3.

U. Schmidt (Sweden) and S. Chatrier (France) 6-2, 6-4.

Women's Doubles, First Round

Miss R. H. Bentley and Mrs. M. C. Chendle (Britain) beat Miss G. Butler (US) and Mrs. M. Weiss (Spain) 6-0, 6-4.

Mrs. R. C. Fulton and Mrs. Thomas (Britain) beat Mrs. H. Macintosh and Miss R. Morgan (Britain) 6-1, 6-3.

Americans Miss Althea Gibson, and Miss Louise Brough, the top two favourites among the women, both play fourth round matches in a restricted Women's Singles programme.

Miss Brough meets Bermuda's

Mrs. Heather Brewer, holder of the South African title, and tanky Miss Gibson meets tiny Miss Gen Hooling (Britain), who was born in Hongkong.

First Place Tie At Th Top Of The American League

New York, June 27. Early W struck out nine batters and blanked the New York Yankees on six four-hits while pitching the Cleveland Indians to a 2-0 victory today.

Cleveland triumph, coupled with Boston's sweep of a double-header from Chicago, create first place tie in the American League between the White Sox and Yankees.

Southpaw Tommy, who pitched for the Red Sox, wound up only five hits in the first in, without a hit, and an in, the seventh on Dick Whittington and Bobby Avila's.

Bob Euhl hurled a four-hitter for the Braves in posting his ninth victory, while Don Drysdale suffered his fifth loss.

Bruce walked with one out in the eighth and Bill Bruton then knocked out starter Jim Gilliam, who threw to Neal for what looked like a double play. But Neal dropped the ball and Aaron followed with his triple.

A triple by Jim Pendleton in the 10th innings scored Frank Thomas from first base and gave the Pittsburgh Pirates a 5-4, 10th-inning win.

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THE SCORES

American League

Brockton (6) and Mont. Sullivan, Cranston (9) and Dales, W.P. Sullivan (6-3).

National League

Brooklyn 000 000 001-1-2-3-0 Milwaukee 000 000 022-2-3-0 Drysdale, Koufax (8) and Campanella (9-2) and Rice, LP-Campy (5-4).

Pittsburgh ... 010 201 000 1-3-0-0-0 Chicago ... 010 000 000 0-4-12-0 Purkey, Face (10), Smith (9), Kline (9), Foy, Rice, Rainey (10), Daff, Hillman (7), Lown (10) and Neeman, W.P.-King (2-0), LP-Lown (2-3). —United Press.

Acceptors For Liverpool Summer Cup

London, June 27. First and final acceptances with weights for the Liverpool Summer Cup to be run over one mile two furlongs and 170 yards at Liverpool on July 3 were published today as follows:

Monetary 9 stone one pound, No Command and Athletes II both 8-11, Penitent 8-10, Cock of the North 8-2, Great Pacha and Sculptor 8-2, stone, Corinthian 7-8, Shimmling Way 7-2, River Line 8-13, Corinthian 6-11. —Reuter.

THE GAMBOLES



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TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

MARKET HESITATES AND RECOVERS Many Possible Reasons For Decline

By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange closed on a brighter note yesterday after a hesitant week.

The market showed some signs of improvement with many stocks recovering from their lows over the week.

The chief reason for the somewhat hesitant tone which prevailed for most of the time was the renewed shelling of Quemoy or the news that the UN Forces in South Korea would be equipped with modern arms. On the other hand, the local market might have been affected by the fall on both the New York and London Exchanges.

However, there was no flurry of selling at all during the week.

Turnover

The turnover for the week—\$2,46 million—was down by seven units compared with the previous week's turnover. The tally for the week was two higher, five unchanged and 17 lower compared with eight higher, seven unchanged and nine lower the previous week.

Bankers and Unions appear to have reached their resistance level and buyers are beginning to take interest in these stocks again. Bankers had a sale at \$1,630, while Union were \$80.60 on a buyer's quote.

Although Union Insurance reported recently a drop in their profit for the year, it was not a monetary loss. As the Company put it "an increase in premiums warranted a provision for contingency."

Last Day

Lands lost 25 cents this week. Tomorrow is the last day for all the rights to be paid up and then this particular share may improve.

In the utility section, Electrics took the largest loss of the week. It dropped to \$29.80, a loss of 45 cents on the week. This share fell to \$29.60 at one stage.

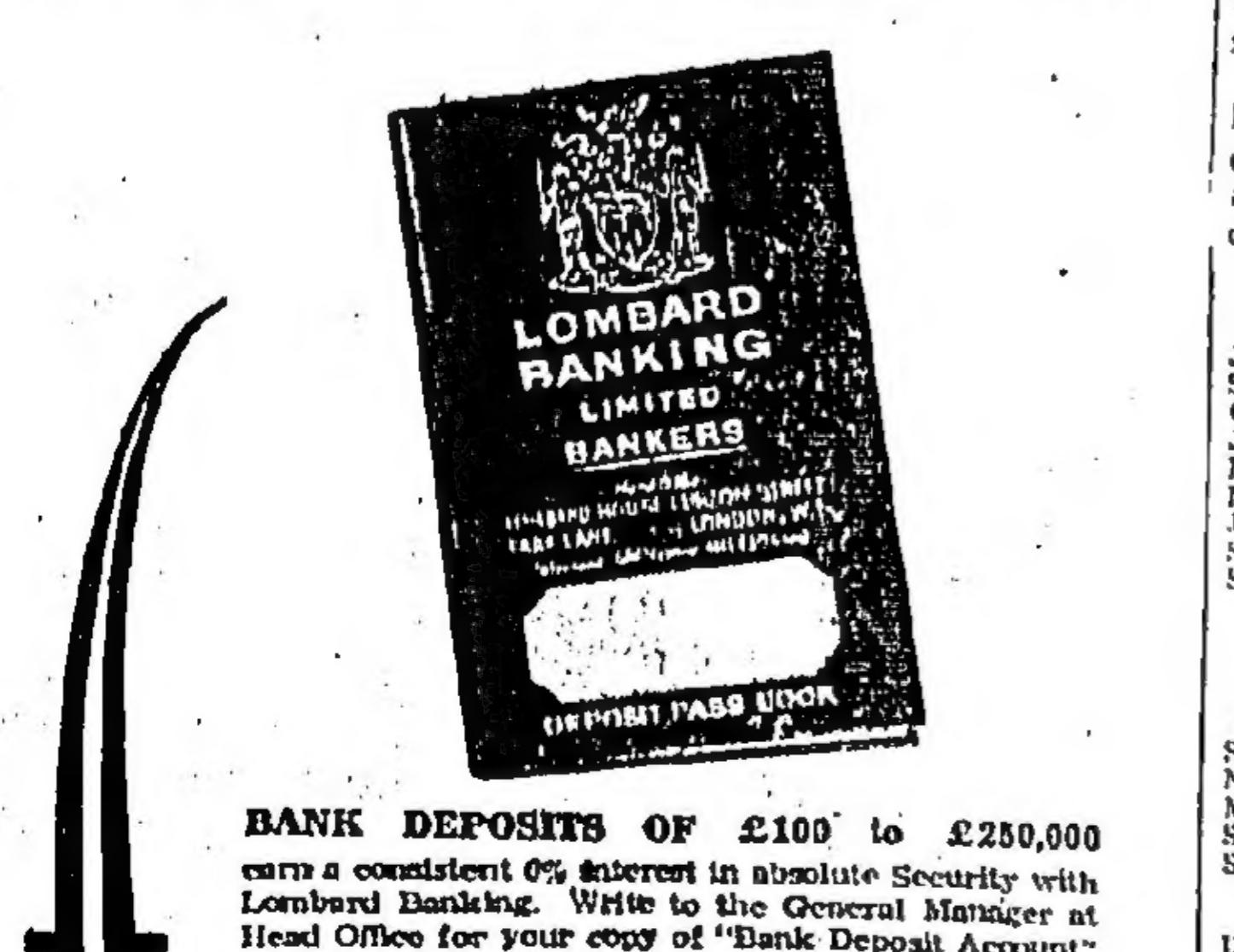
Similarly Telephones dropped to \$28.10 during the week but recovered 30 cents at the close yesterday bringing the week's loss to 20 cents.

In the cotton section, Textile Corporation dropped 20 cents to close with a sale at \$4,675, while Nanyang lost 5 cents.

Improvement

Here is an Ice House Street observer's account of the market: The stock market has experienced a week of small turnovers with the overall amounting to only \$2,461,000.

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The Share Market At A Glance *

	May 30	June 6	June 12	June 20	June 27	Up or Down
HK Bank	1055a	1045	1035	1040a	1030	-10
Lombard	37n	37n	39n	37n	-2	steady
Unis.	92n	91n	90	89½	89½	steady
Vic. Stock	7.35b	7.00	7.00	7.30	7.75	+6
HK Charf	106½m	100	100½m	107	109m	+8
HK Stocks	43	43½b	44	44½a	44½	+2½
HK Bonds	18.10	18.20	18.40	18.30	18.10	-20
HK Notes	15.40	15.50	15.60	15.45m	15.30	-15
HK Bonds	38½	38	36	36	36½	-25
HK Notes	14.65	14.55	14.65	14.65	14.25	-24
HK Bonds	22.70	23	22.20	23.10	23.10	steady
HK Notes	135n	139n	131n	135n	-8	steady
HK Bonds	104	105	104	103	-1	steady
HK Notes	19	19	18.80	18.80	-5	steady
HK Bonds	30	30	30.25	29.80	-45	down
HK Notes	27.10	28.30	28.80	28.50	28.40	-20
HK Bonds	32½	32½	32½b	32½	-5	steady
HK Notes	14.00	14.70	14.80	14.50	14.70	-10
HK Bonds	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.75m	11.70	-5
HK Notes	6½	6.40m	6.40m	6.25m	6.30m	-10
HK Bonds	4.475b	4.50	4.60b	4.70	4.60b	-10
HK F.E. Inv.	10.20b	10.30	10.30b	10.20b	10.20b	steady
HK Bonds	4.70m	4.75	4.825	4.875	4.775	-20
HK Notes	8.55	8.5d	8.05b	8.10	8.05	-5

Demand For
Dollar And
Oil Stocks

London, June 27.
Gold, dollar stocks were heavily sold on stock exchange today but other sectors were dull.

At no time was there any actual selling pressure, as evidenced by the small volume of business transacted, and although most issues yielded ground, losses were relatively small.

With trading conditions dull there was no feature worthy of special comment.

Market Diary

Here is a market diary of the week:

Friday: Lacks incentive, T/O: \$519,000.

Monday: Share easier, T/O: \$742,000.

Tuesday: Dull and featureless, T/O: \$193,000.

Wednesday: Remained flat, T/O: \$277,000.

Thursday: Some all round improvement, T/O: \$739,000.

London Foreign Exchange

London, June 27.
Closing rates were:
New York 2.70/3.16/2.70
Montreal 2.65½/2.65/2.65½
Amsterdam 10.60½/10.60½
Milan 10.50/10.50
Paris 10.50/10.50
Stockholm 14.45/14.55
Vienna 72.47/72.47
Zurich 12.21½/12.21½
Others unchanged—United Press

New York Foreign Exchange

New York, June 27.
Closing rates were:
Canada official 1.05
England official 2.70
30-days 2.70/2.72
Others unchanged—United Press

New York Sugar Market

New York, June 27.
Wa. No. 4 sugar futures closed 9 to 16 points higher with sales of 1,11 contracts.

Dome No. 3 sugar futures closed 10 points higher to 3 points higher in sales of 91 contracts.

Curtiss Wright soared close to 2 points on volume which made it the day's active issue.

Of 1,137 issues appearing, 445 were higher, 430 lower, 262 unchanged with 75 new lows, 20 new highs.

NY Stock Exchange bond volume was \$3,770,000.

American Stock Exchange volume was 600,000 shares.

Closing Prices

Commodity	Price
Allied Chemicals	\$201½
Allied Mills Inc.	100½
Allin Chalmers	133½
Am. Cable & Radio Corp.	5½
American Cyanamid Co.	100
Am. Gas & Power	100
Am. Gaa & Electric	100
Am. Mach. & Foundry	100
Am. Steel & Wire	100
American Tel & Tel	100
American Tel. & Tel.	100
Americana Copper	100
Armenia	100
Armour	100
Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton	100
Bantam	100
Batale & Indus.	100
Bentley Aviation Corp.	100
Benguet Cons.	100
Bendix Corp.	100
Boeing Airplane	100
Borden's (The) Co.	100
Burroughs Add. Machines	100
Canadian Pacific R.	100
Case (J. I.) Co.	100
Cat. Tractor	100
Caterpillar Tractor Co.	100
Chrysler Motors	100
Clinical Molybdenum	100
Colgate-Palmolive Co.	100
Consolidated Edison	100
Continental Oil of Del.	100
Crown Anne Sugar	100
Diamond Alkali	100
Douglas Aircraft	100
Dupont de Nemours	100
Eastern Airlines	100
Eastern K. & L.	100
Eaton Mfg. Co.	100
Fairchild Engine & Equip.	100
Firestone Tyre & Rubber	100
General Foods	100
General Motors	100
Gen. Pub. Util.	100
Gillette Co.	100
Goodrich (B. F. T. Co.)	100
Goodyear Tyre	100
Hayden Newport Corp.	100
Hornetskite Mfg. Co.	100
Imperial Oil Co.	100
Interchemical Corp.	100
Intl. Business Machines	100
J. G. Brill Co.	100
Goodman	100
Kansas City Power & Light	100
Kennecott Copper	100

**Withdrawal Of
Exchange
Remittance**

New Delhi, June 27.

The Indian Government today withdrew all facilities for foreign exchange remittance abroad in view of the "difficult foreign exchange position."

Until today, senders were allowed a daily remittance of £2 in foreign exchange postal orders for sterling area countries and 30 rupees (about £22½) for countries exchanging rupee currency.

The Government also announced exemption from income tax for interest on industrial credit from foreign bankers or firms with a repayment period of five years or more.

This move is intended as an incentive to foreign banks to grant loans and it is hoped the concession will enable Indian industries to get credit or machinery at reasonable rates from abroad, the government said—Ruter.

NANSANES

Business as done in the local unofficial exchange market rates:

U.S. dollar (1) 100

Sterling notes (1) 100

Australian dollar (1) 100

India rupee (1) 100

Siam tael (100) 100

Singapore (50) 100

Other currencies 100

Bank deposit account 100

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COURT'S DECISION ON ENGLISH BOY *Sentenced To Three Years*

AN English boy of 15 who pleaded guilty at the Criminal Sessions last week to having carnal knowledge of a six-year-old European girl, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment by Mr Justice A. D. Scholes at the Supreme Court this morning.

This sentence was imposed so that the boy can be sent to the United Kingdom, under the Colonial Prisoners Removal Act of 1884, for training in a Borstal institution or an Approved School.

"I hope that no horrible thought will ever enter in your mind again to do anything like this which you did do," the Judge told the curly-haired lad.

Trousers Again!

A suspect has been detained by the Police in connection with the theft of a pair of trousers from a private car parked outside the Marine Office at about 3.35 p.m. yesterday.

Ngautaukok Land To Be Sold

A 6,600 square-foot lot of Crown land in Ngautaukok will be offered for sale at a public auction at the Crown Lands and Survey Office on Monday July 8.

The lot is restricted for the building of a filling station and/or a kerosene store and ancillary offices. It carries an upset price of \$79,200 or \$12 a square foot.

Another lot of industrial Crown land at Kun Tong, Lot No. 46, will be auctioned at the Crown Lands and Survey Office on Monday July 8.

This lot has an area of 40,000 square feet at an upset price of \$200,000 and is restricted for industrial purposes excluding any offensive, noxious, nosome or unhealthy trade, business or manufacture.

Church Trustee

The election of Mr Chung Yan-kwong as a Trustee of the Tsimshatsui Baptist Church, vice the Rev. Au Young Hing-cheung, was notified in the Government Gazette this morning.

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TRIED TO BRIBE POLICE OFFICER

For attempting to bribe a Police Officer, an unlicensed hawker, Lo Tin, 35, was sentenced to six months' gaol by Mr D. Cons at Kowloon Court this morning.

The defendant also admitted another charge of unlawful possession of an umbrella and for this he was given an additional term of three months.

Lo Tin was arrested on June 10 by PC4983 at Tung Tau Village Road in possession of an umbrella while waiting for transport to return to the Police station, the defendant offered the constable \$20 for his release.

In addition to the prison terms, Lo Tin was also placed under Police supervision for two years.

New Police Station

The present Police Station at Tung Wan will be replaced by a larger building sometimes in the future to meet the growing requirements of the Industrial suburb.

The new station is to be erected near the present station.

Tenders for the formation of the new site and adjoining roads were recalled in the Government Gazette this morning. Tenders should reach the Tender Board by noon, Friday, July 12.

Appointments

The following appointments, transfers, promotions and postings have been approved, the Government Gazette announced this morning:

Mr J. Clarey, Education Officer, to be Acting Senior Education Officer during the absence of Mr Wai Hol-kee.

Mr G. C. Hamilton, Cadet Officer, Class II, to be Acting Establishment Officer, vice Mr C. G. M. Morrison.

Mr Tung Pak-kee to be a Sub-Inspector of Schools.

RN Ships Due

Arriving from Singapore tomorrow morning are HMS Newcastle (Captain A.H.C. Gordon-Lennox, DSO, Royal Navy) and HMS Cockade (Commander D.L. Cobb, Royal Navy). HMS Newcastle is wearing the flag of Rear Admiral W.K. Edens CB, OBE, Flag Officer, Second in Command, Far East Station and is due to stay here until the beginning of August.

She recommissioned at Singapore last month.

HMS Cockade, which last visited Hongkong in March, is due to stay here until about July 29.

Jane Roberts Tells You... What's On Tonight

HOOVER and **LIBERTY**: "Victory At Sea": A camera's eye view of the activities of the Allies and their enemies in the Second World War. **KING**'s and **PRINCESS**: "The Rainmaker": A spinster and a charlatan get together to create a miracle. Katherine Hepburn, Burt Lancaster, Wendell Corey.

METROPOLE and **STAR**: "The Gold Rush": An early Charles Chaplin picture made in the days when he was known as "Charlie".

QUEEN's and **ALHAMBRA**: "The Solid Gold Cadillac": A shady company gets pushed around by its one per cent shareholder. Judy Holliday, Paul Douglas, Fred Clark.

ROXY and **BROADWAY**: "Kronos": The mythological father of Zeus bursts into the twentieth century via science fiction. Jeff Morrow, Barbara Lawrence, John Emery.

Colony Had Big Outbreak Of Measles

During the first five months of this year, there were 796 cases of measles with 74 deaths throughout the Colony, the Government Gazette stated this morning.

This figure is 87 more than the whole of last year. Eighty-six people died of measles last year.

The height of the measles outbreak was during the first quarter of this year.

There were 1,203 cases of tuberculosis with 1,352 deaths recorded for the first five months of this year: 322 cases of diphtheria with 48 deaths and 214 cases of chicken pox with two deaths.

Technical Education Committee

The Government Gazette this morning notified that the following would be Members of the Standing Committee on Technical Education and Vocational Training for a period of one year with effect from July 1, 1957.

The Commissioner of Labour (Chairman); The Director of Public Works or his representative; The Director of Education or his representative; The Director of Commerce and Industry or his representative; Miss Pauline Chan; Miss Mok Sau-ha; Mr Ho Iu-kwong; Mr Lam Chik-suen; Mr William Sul-tak Louey; C. D. Sias; Mr U Tat-shoo; Mr Cheng Man-kam; Secretary to be nominated by the Director of Education.

Shipping In Harbour

A total of 2,210 ships of 60 tons and over with a net-registered tonnage of 5,109,247 entered Hongkong during the first five months of this year, according to statistics published in the Government Gazette this morning.

These ships represented 30 different countries, headed by Britain with 2,202,893 net-registered tons, Norway was second with 183 ships of 524,352 net-registered tons, Japan third with 158 ships of 420, 105 net-registered tons, America fourth with 101 ships of 546,896 net-registered tons and Denmark fifth with 90 vessels of 401,804 net-registered tons.

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Tenders Called

Tenders for maintenance and repairs of roads and bridges in Hongkong, Kowloon, New Kowloon and the New Territories for the period September 1, 1957, to August 31, 1958, were called in the Government Gazette this morning.

Tenders were also called for the removal of the collapsed bridge from the stream bed at Kam Tin.

This bridge on the Kam Tin Road was damaged due to the heavy rains last month.

Accidents

The number of industrial accidents for May was 356 and the number of persons injured was 1,785, according to this morning's Government Gazette.

ADJOURNMENT APPLICATION TURNED DOWN

EDWARD APPEAL

The Full Court this morning turned down an application by W. S. Edwards for a two-weeks' adjournment of his appeal.

Mr Edwards said he wished to file a notice of motion re ging leave to issue a subpoena against the Hon. E. B. David (Colonial Secretary).

Appellant said also he wished to have the opportunity of giving an official report on his English case contained in a recent newspaper report, he had quoted yesterday.

He said that case may be helpful to his own case.

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Mr Edwards asked the adjournment so that he could have an opportunity to do these matters.

The Court comprised of Justice M. J. Hogan, Justice and Mr Justice J. Gould, Senior Pulse Justice.

The appeal is against a judgment of Mr Justice Scholes on a claim for damages by Mr Edwards against K. M. Almao, Assistant Commissioner of Inland Revenue.

The Judge had ruled a document which Mr Almao had asked to be produced privileged.

Mr Arthur Hooton, C. M. McRobert, Crown Counsel presented the respondent Mr Almao.

After the dismissal of his application, Mr Edwards submitted his submissions.

He said the re-envention of the confidential report of Mr Justice Scholes was privileged, had been filed in his statement of claim.

During the interlocutory proceedings, relevant parts of the statement of claim read out by him (ppd) in Court and published in the newspapers.

NOT TRUE

Mr Edwards alleged one of the falsehoods in part of Mr David in his affidavit was that he claimed that whole of the document was forged in the statement of claim which was not true.

He cited from an affidavit to show that such a document may be withheld if disclosure would be contrary to interest or propriety of the public service.

Since the publication of the portions of the document contained in his statement of claim, there had been some of unrest in the Colloquy.

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In the same period there were 1,785 deaths of whom 17 were non-Chinese. The total number of deaths for the five months period was 9,078 including 82 non-Chinese.

The new followers included Ngau Tau Kok villagers and students from Pope Pius XI Primary School in that district.

Following the baptism service, which lasted two hours, Msgr Ronanello pronounced his benediction.

SUNSPOTS SIGHTED

Wireless reception was affected by sunspots around midday today, it was reported.

Mr E. J. Brown, BOAC Operations, told the China Mail today that radio signals were fading.

He suspected sunspots.

He smoked a piece of glass and looked.

"Sure enough, I saw them," he said.

The Royal Observatory did not make any observation.

TWO-HOUR BAPTISM SERVICE

"This man," he said to the magistrate, Mr Gerald Rees, "has asked me to speak for him."

"I should like to speak on his behalf, for though this man has three brothers somewhere, he has quite lost touch with them, and he is entirely alone in the world."

"He is waiting to go into hospital for treatment for ulcer trouble, and I do think it was desperation and anguish that made him do this."

"HELP"

"YOU'VE spoken very well for him," said the magistrate.

He remanded James for reports by the doctors and probation officers on his case, saying to him: "I want to see what help you can be given afterwards."

"Thank you, sir," James said, humbly, and he turned and left through a door held open by the detective-sergeant—his friend.

New Trade Union

The Hongkong and Kowloon Blackwood and Rosewood Ware Trade Workers Union, 301 Tal Nan Street, Shamshui Po, has been registered under the Trade Unions and Trade Disputes Ordinance, the Government Gazette notified this morning.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Maybe it's a good thing I dent the fender—now you know how I feel when you break one of my best dishes!"

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